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Mr. Kay Sugahara Chairman Fairfield Maxwell Ltd. 277 Park Avenue New York, New York 10172

Dear Kay:

Thank you for your letter of April 24. The US-Asia Institute's conference on Asian security issues looks promising and I am glad to see that you have lined up such capable speakers as Bill Crowe, Paul Wolfowitz and Richard Armitage. Although I don't personally know the two South Korean speakers or the Japanese speaker on your list, my staff tells me that they are well known authorities; I have also been told that the People's Institute of Foreign Affairs is the right PRC organization for the US-Asia Institute to deal with.

Some of our East Asian specialists have separately received invitations through the State Department and plan to attend. I have asked them to represent me and report back to me afterwards. I have also checked at State and find that they are very high on your organization. Keep up the good work. Best regards.

Sincerely,

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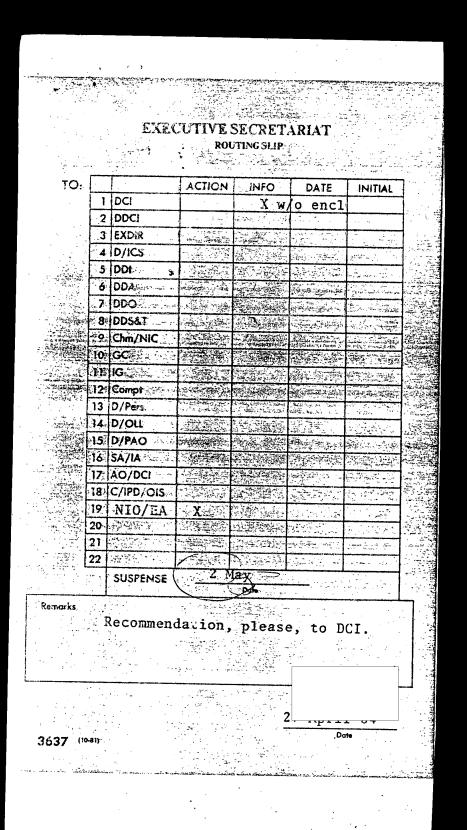
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NOTE FOR THE DIRECTOR	
FROM:	25 X 1
SUBJECT: Response to Kay Sugahara Letter	
1. Sugahara wrote you on 24 April and requested the attendance of you, Mrs. Casey and Bernadette at a US-Asia Institute conference entitled, "US-Asia SecurityEconomic and Political Dimensions." The conference will convene on May 18. State Department is a co-sponsor.	
2. I had already been invited to this conference by the State Department and had accepted. The State Department has also invited some DDI officers. Judging from the level of speakers and known attendees, you and your family should not attend. There will be no one there on the US side above the Assistant Secretary level and most of the attendees will be well below that. Attached is an answer which you could send to Sugahara.	
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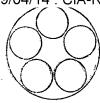


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Dear Bill:

The U.S. Asia Institute is sponsoring a conference on U.S.-Asia Security. You, Mrs. Casey and Bernadette are cordially invited to attend as my guests.

We feel that four or five members of your Far East Division would want to attend to listen directly to the views of Japan, the People's Republic of China, etc. The Agency could buy tickets and give commercial company names.

Japan will be represented by a Member of Parliament, who is Secretary-General of the 500-member Committee for Comprehensive Security. Mr. Motoo Shiina is President of the Policy-Study Group in Tokyo. His father was formerly the Foreign Minister. Mr. Shiina speaks excellent English.

The People's Republic of China will send a Cabinet level delegation. It cannot be their Foreign Minister as they would not want him to make policy statements without clearance with the ruling structure. The delegates will be from the People's Institute of Foreign Affairs which is part of the Foreign Ministry. We have been assured by the Chinese Ambassador they will articulate current national feeling.

The South Korean delegation was chosen not to offend the "face" of P.R.C., but were delegates who had close ties with President Chun.

To our great surprise, we were approached by the Embassies of Australia and New Zealand. Their national policy on defense is realistic. They depend on the U.S. and Asian allies, not Europe. This is a vast change in national attitude. Kindly note that New Zealand is sending their Minister of Defense. Australia said they would send a person of national stature. They want to be part of the Asian picture, so we call it "Pacific Basin".



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Malaysia, Indonesia and Thailand also indicated strong support via their Ambassadors.

Last year at our Communications Conference (see enclosure), the USSR sent a delegation, although they had not been invited. We are now aware that Russia pays attention to the activities and functions of the U.S. Asia Institute. We cannot limit attendance at open meetings. It may be good for them to see directly the close ties the U.S. has with the principal nations of Asia and "Down Under". We feel they are certain to send observers again as this is a more critical subject.

While we represent only five million Americans, the area to which we have ties contains two and one half billion people. State and Defense are sending top layer people. The Agency should be interested because of the foreigners attending and their expressions on policy.

With warmest personal regards,

Kay Sugahara

Chairman

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P.S. Please contact me relative to any arrangements, or contact Joji Konoshima at our Washington office, 209 C Street, S.E., telephone (202) 544-3181.

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